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ASSESSMENT THEREOF*

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,  
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98. The Forms PTO-1449 (8 pages) and cited references are provided herewith in connection with the above-captioned application.

The documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449 and supplied herewith are in the English language. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

Applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following U.S. applications which are commonly owned and/or have one or more inventors in common.